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PASSIVATION LAYER, METHOD FOR CREATING A PASSIVATION LAYER ON A SILICON LAYER AND ITS

USE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 27, 2010 in connection with the above-captioned application, Applicants submit herewith a corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

It is respectfully submitted that all issues raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment have been obviated, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

While no fees are believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 11-0600.**

This submission contains only the corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section, as is permitted by 37 C.F.R. 1.121. For the substantive remarks on the Office Action, please refer to the prior Amendment dated April 7, 2010. It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of the present application is new, non-